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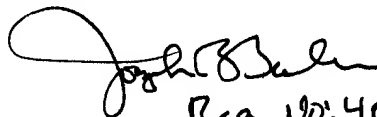
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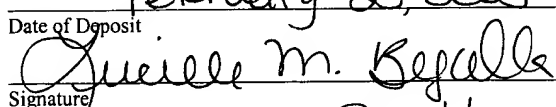
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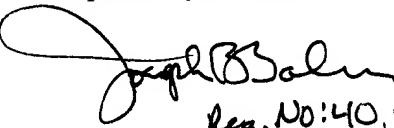
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action mailed January 28, 2003, applicant elects the invention of Group V, claims 11-13, drawn to a method for producing D-amino acids by contacting a polypeptide with N-acyl-DL-amino acid. The election is made without traverse.

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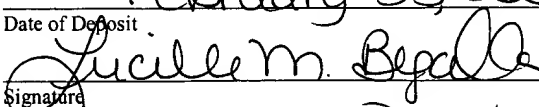
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